

BUXTON CLOSES UP PATRIOTIC PUNCH BOARD

He May Allow Dances For Patri-
tic Purposes When He Isn't
Too Dyspeptic

The punch board which nestled in Charlie Cole's pool room, and towards which the boys were contributing 10 cents a piece for the purposes of the tobacco fund for the boys at the front, has been removed and closed up by order of Constable Buxton of the Provincial police. The grounds taken for this action is probably that the board was purely and simply a gambling device.

This action on the part of the Provincial police came very nearly precipitating the resignation of John Morden as magistrate, the latter being of the opinion that since the boys were practically donating 10 cents a piece for patriotic purposes, and that should a case be made of this and the pool room authorities come before him for running a gambling device, he would have to decide against them. And this he concludes would be putting him in the light of a Pro-German.

On the same principle Mr. Mordey is of the opinion that it will not in future be safe for church raffles, raffles for patriotic or any other purpose to be held while Constable Buxton is on the job. Whether he will allow dances for patriotic purposes has not yet been learned.

WHERE TO IRRIGATE

Captain F. H. Peters of the Executive Committee of the Western Canada Irrigation Association, and the acting secretary visited Maple Creek on Friday last, for the purpose of co-operating with the people of the town and district there in effecting an organization for handling the local work in connection with the forthcoming Irrigation convention. A meeting, attended by a number of the leading business men of town and irrigationists of the district, was held in the town hall with George Stewart, president of the Cypress Hills Water Users' Association, in the chair.

Captain Peters, being called upon by the chair, outlined the usual procedure and emphasized the need of local attendance and local speakers. He believed the local attendance could be secured largely by an organized effort to use the motor cars in the country for the purpose.

The following organization was effective-

ed: Chairman of Local Board of Control, P. Chevalier, mayor of Maple Creek; Vice-chairman, D. J. Wylie, member of Saskatchewan legislature; secretary, G. S. Herringer, manager of the Merchants' Bank, Maple Creek.

The following chairmen of committees were also appointed with the understanding that each chairman would enlist such assistance as he found desirable:

Hotels and Accommodation, Mat.
Publicity, W. J. Redmond, Editor of
The Maple Creek News

Reception, John Dixon.
Finance, C. H. Steckdale.
Entertainment, R. H. Hodson.
Decorations, R. G. Williamson.
F. H. Auld, deputy Minister of Agriculture, Regina, was appointed an ex-officio member of the Local Board of Control.

The dates selected for the convention are August 1, 2 and 3. The Maple Creek fair will be in progress on August 1 and 2, and on those days it is not proposed to have any afternoon sessions of the convention, so as to enable delegates to visit the fair.

A. S. Dawson, chief engineer of the Natural Resources Department of the C. P. R., accompanied by F. D. McNaughton of Brooks, were in town today in connection with the work going on at the dam.

Fred Mannix left this week for Iowa to engage in contract grading.

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P. W. STONP, Editor

TIME WILL TELL

I would be very interesting to The Mail to learn as to whether any of the material has arrived at Duchess yet for the construction of the promised bridge across the Red Deer river. The promise has been given that the bridge would be constructed at once and would probably be ready for traffic by the end of May. This gives at the outside about nine or ten weeks to do the work, that means considerable haste.

Going on these dates it would be quite in order to ask as to whether the material is arriving or not. If not, the farmers across the Red Deer river should not settle down in smug complacency in the promise of a bridge, but should keep the matter stirred up until they are quite certain they are to have a bridge, and not a promise only.

In the opinion of The Mail that bridge is only a myth until such time as the work is actually started and provisions made for the completion of the structure, and that should be the attitude of others until something more substantial is given to go on. Such promises, around about the time an election is in sight, are really habits, and would not surprise The Mail one bit to find that instead of the bridge being completed about the end of May, that perhaps a few "buff" ports would be hauled out to the river just on the eve of an election. However, time will tell.

Next Thursday the town will offer for sale the lots which have come under tax enforcement, and Mayor Travis who is auctioneer as well as mayor, will wield the gavel. Looking over the town and among the business men who, as far as appearances go at least, intend to remain here, there are very few of them owning their own lots or living in their own houses, and this tale should be a splendid opportunity for most of them to get property cheap and build cozy little homes for themselves while lumber is no dearer than before the war.

Taking a fine tooth comb and going over the business section of the town, the following facts will be shown:

H. Natch has no property and lives in a rented house; G. W. Boyd owns no property and lives in a rented house; E. G. Paddon lives somewhere around his store; R. P. Findlay owns no property and lives in a rented house; John S. Mavor has a cozy little home of his own; J. L. Forgan has a lot for which he paid \$27 and is tired living in a shack; Harvey Smith has a cute little home of his own; Charlie Cole sleeps on a pool table; I. A. Foster has a rented home; G. M. Pierce has plenty of property; Jack Allen and E. P. Currie are still counting each other and may get married soon; Joe Wright has a company which has prepared a home for him; W. E. Rogers will probably want a home shortly; T. H. Hunter owns the big, red brick shack on the corner; H. Keck lives in a rented house; W. Feigenson has a red brick shack opposite Hunter's; Joe King lives in a rented house; J. Bulmer in a rented house; Jimmy Stinson is thinking of renting a home; S. Brosseau sleeps on the counter in his store; W. J. Robinson has a rented house; Dick Travis has a house of his own, but lives in a rented house; Lorne Webster has a photograph he should build a home for; P. Barry lives over Webster's store; G. H. Stiles has a rented house; the bachelor girls would make fine housekeepers; E. G. Holley has a rented house; A. T. Connolly should tie up and build on his potato patch; Frank Berry lives in a rented house; W. S. Playfair owns his own home; Jas. Johnston has a rented house; A. A. MacGregor a rented home; Roy Smith a rented home; A. Cadot a rented home; G. B. R. Bond has a cozy little home; Wallace Flanagan owns a home; John Golden owns the club house; both A. H. Swain and Phil Lezie live in rented houses, and the editor doesn't deserve a home.

And so if all the renters purchased, what a pretty little home-loving town could be made of Bassano. A few dollars will pay the taxes and costs on some of these lots. Get in on the ground floor.

According to our Pandora correspondent there seems to be some differences of opinion over the river as to whether the provincial government should build its promise at Emerson's ferry or Gregory's ford. The Mail is mostly interested in a bridge across the Red Deer river.

They say that Constable Buxton is exceeding the speed limit for one so new.

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construction have been considerably changed.
To illustrate the effect of a direct hit
on a portion of a front line trench, the
size of trenches has been increased. In
dry weather temporary roads are con-
structed up to front line trenches, which
roads make main roads which are con-
tinually shelled by the enemy. It takes
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temporary roads.Canadian Engineers is a branch
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Capt. F. H. Peters, Officer Commanding,
Drifts, Divisional Engineers, 215-217
Ave. East, Calgary, Alta.E. M. Hinklemann and A. J.
Burley of Seattle, Washington, have
purchased the Murbison farm.Quite a large number of settlers
from the States came in this week
with their effects, and purchased
land around Bassano.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

John Weaver, hobbling around
on a cane, was in town on Saturday
night looking after his valuable per-
sonal property here.Russell Brown, who has been
speeding the winter months in
Montreal, Toronto and other Eastern
cities, returned home on Sat-
urday night.J. M. Alstott, one of the Colorado
Colony farmers at Gem, has taken
a farm at Cragsville.Mrs. J. L. Torgue returned home
on Saturday from an extended visit
with friends and relatives in Dan-
vers, Colorado.A. A. Landry, a licensed auction-
eer, was in town on Monday last.
He has inserted a business card in
The Mail, and guarantees to give
satisfaction to all who entrust their
sales to him.Jas. R. Hendry, who has been up
north looking over his farming in-
terests, returned home on Saturday
night.J. L. Torgue announces the com-
ing of the play "Tess of the Storm
Country" on Tuesday next. Pre-
views to the rising of the curtain
that night "The Iron Claw" will be
shown for the benefit of those who
miss the Monday show. The picture
will commence sharp at 8
o'clock before the curtain rises for the play.A meeting of all those interested
in baseball for the coming season
will be held in the rooms above the
Union Bank on Friday night.Rev. W. S. Brookes has been pre-
sented with two small water color
paintings to be sold in aid of the
Red Cross and the Patriotic Fund.
"A Street in Eyemouth, Scotland"
by J. R. Miller; and "Wickham
Bridge," by E. Parkman. Both
men are artists of distinction. The
pictures have been framed and can
be seen at McKee & Berry's store
who have them for sale.Rev. W. S. Brookes' subject on
Sunday night will be "A Question
of Attitude."W. J. Oliver, staff photographer
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P. R., was in town on Tuesday tak-
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Medicine Hat in the Province of Alberta,
for the purpose of constructing and op-
erating a line of railway from a point at
Medicine Hat in the Province of Alberta to the
Province of Alberta, on the line of
Township Twenty-nine (29) Range
Twenty (20) west of the Fourth Meridian
of the Province of Alberta, on the line
with the Canadian Northern Railway,
with branches extending to a generally
northwesterly direction along the Valley
of the Red Deer River to a point in
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No. 2 tin, 25c

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